

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY BALTIMORE DISTRICT. U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 1715

BALTIMORE, MD 21203-1715

ATTENTION OF January 5, 1993

Project Management Division



Ms. Sue Whittington EPA, Region III 841 Chestnut Building Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

Dear Ms. Whittington:

This refers to the Valley Forge General Hospital (VFGH) project at Phoenixville, PA, and Technical Review Committee (TRC) established for the VFGH project.

Enclosed are the following:

- Minutes of the TRC meeting conducted on October 1, 1992.
- Announcement and agenda for the TRC meeting. b.
- Agenda for the public meeting for your information.

As important members of this project committee, your attendance is requested. If you have any questions, please call Mr. H. Glenn Earhart at (410) 962-3369.

Sincerely,

øseph T. LoCasale, P.E.

MAJ, Corps of Engineers

Acting Deputy District Engineer

for Project Management

Enclosures

MEMORANDUM

October 05, 1992

TO:

Distribution

FROM:

Glenn Earhart

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District

SUBJECT:

Minutes of October 01, 1992, Valley Forge General Hospital RI/FS Technical

Review Committee Meeting

The meeting was opened at 3:30 p.m. by Mr. Glenn Earhart of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District. Mr. Earhart made introductions (see Attachment 1 for a list of persons in attendance at the meeting) and thanked the Valley Forge Christian College for making their facilities available.

Mr. Earhart stated that a quarterly Public Meeting would be held this evening at 7:00 pm at the Phoenixville High School library. He then presented the following information regarding past, present, and future activities at the Valley Forge General Hospital (VFGH) site:

Removal Action

Mr. Earhart summarized the schedule and emphasized that the contract for the removal would be awarded in November 1992 and the removal would be completed in June 1993. The removal action involves 7 underground storage tanks (USTs), 7 above ground storage tanks (ASTs), 49 capacitors, and 11 transformers. The USACE estimates that the final cost of this work will be between \$250,000 and \$500,000. Funding availability will depend on passage of a continuing resolution by Congress.

Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)

Mr. Earhart stated that the RI is proceeding on schedule and within budget and the draft report will be completed in December 1992 and the final report on March 05, 1993. He also noted that he was pleased with the progress and results of the project thus far. Mr. Earhart displayed a viewgraph of the calls placed to the PIRP hotline since the onset of the project. To date, eighty-six calls had been placed to the hotline totaling 179.52 minutes with the majority of calls coming in March and April 1992. Mr. Earhart stated that the hotline was partially responsible for the ease and success of the sampling effort and was considered beneficial to both the public and to the overall progress of the project.

Mr. Earhart also discussed the following during his briefing:

- An additional \$10,000 that was spent on the Quality Assurance laboratory analyses ordered by the New England Division Laboratory (NEDL).
- Two deposits to the repository that had been made since the last Technical Review Meeting; the June transcripts and the addendum to the Chemical Data Acquisition Plan (CDAP).
- Names of the current Technical Review Committee members and committee technical advisors.
- An overview of the course of action for the project, e.g., PA/SI → RI/FS → RD/RA → ROD. Mr. Earhart stated that the FS, RD/RA, and ROD are dependent upon the results of the RI. If the RI is negative, then they will not be necessary.
- A flow chart illustrating the chemical data evaluation process.
- The following preliminary data that were obtained during the RI investigation:

Preliminary Results For Dioxin				
Dioxin	Environmental	Background		
High	23ppb	16ррь		
Mean	6.2ppb	6.7ppb		

Results From MW-8				
Chemical	Concentration	Drinking Water Standards		
DCE	90ррь	7ppb		
Benzene	12ppb	5ppb		

Preliminary time estimate (approximately 200 - 300 years) for contamination to travel from MW-8 to the nearest domestic well (Weinstock well).

Irene Ewald asked if the samples at the access road had been taken. Not Responsive Due to Revised Scope said that



samples had been obtained and that they did not appear to indicate an immediate risk and added that the results are still preliminary.

Future Actions And Discussions

Mr. Earhart discussed future actions with respect to further investigation of the contamination at MW-8 and the project as a whole and then opened the meeting for general discussion.

Mr. Earhart thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their participation in this investigation. He then adjourned the meeting at 4:25p.m.

ATTACHMENT

October 1, 1992 TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET

NAME	REPRESENTING	TELEPHONE NUMBER
Ted Ryan	Schuylkill Township Supervisor	
Glenn Earhart	USACE, Project Manager	410-962-2342
Keith Hoddinott	USAEHA	410-671-2953
George W. Quay	Phoenixville Area School District	215-933-3737
Not Respons	ive Due to Revise	ed Scope
John Rogalski	USACE	215-385-3120
Irene Ewald	Charlestown Township Supervisor	215-935-0401
Walter P. Leuchak	CCHD	215-344-6246
Dr. Harold Russell	CCHD	215-344-6258
Tina Stonorov Daly	Green Valleys Assoc.	215-983-0874
Thomas H. Tracy	CCHD	215-344-6224
Gary Bonner	PADER	215-832-6212
Olga Karkalas	Schuylkill Twp. Open Space Comm., Schuylkill Twp. Civic Assoc., Green Valleys Assoc.	215-935-0460
Thomas Meyer	USACE, Balt. Dist. Tech Manager	410-962-2659
Leon Altemose	Prospective Buyer of VFCC Property	
Brad Funt	USACE, Balt. Dist. Construction	717-894-7052

VALLEY FORGE GENERAL HOSPITAL (VFGH), PHOENIXVILLE, PA TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

MEETING:

TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE - VFGH

TIME:

JANUARY 28, 1993, at 3:00 PM

PLACE:

VALLEY FORGE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

OPERATIONS DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM

BUILDING 70

PHOENIXVILLE, PA 19460

POC: WILLIAM WERKHEISER 215-935-0450

PURPOSE:

TO REVIEW PROJECT STATUS IN PREPARATION FOR CORPS

OF ENGINEERS SIXTH QUARTERLY PROJECT STATUS REVIEW.

A PUBLIC MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 28, 1993,

AT 7:30 PM IN THE PHOENIXVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY.

ATTACHMENTS: AGENDA

MAP

POC:

H. GLENN EARHART - CORPS OF ENGINEERS - 410-962-3369

800-242-8350

VALLEY FORGE GENERAL HOSPITAL, PHOENIXVILLE, PA

TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (TRC) MEETING AGENDA

VALLEY FORGE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

JANUARY 28, 1993, 3:00 PM

Removal Actions

Scope Schedule Cost

Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Report (RI/FS)

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Public Involvement Plan (PIRP)

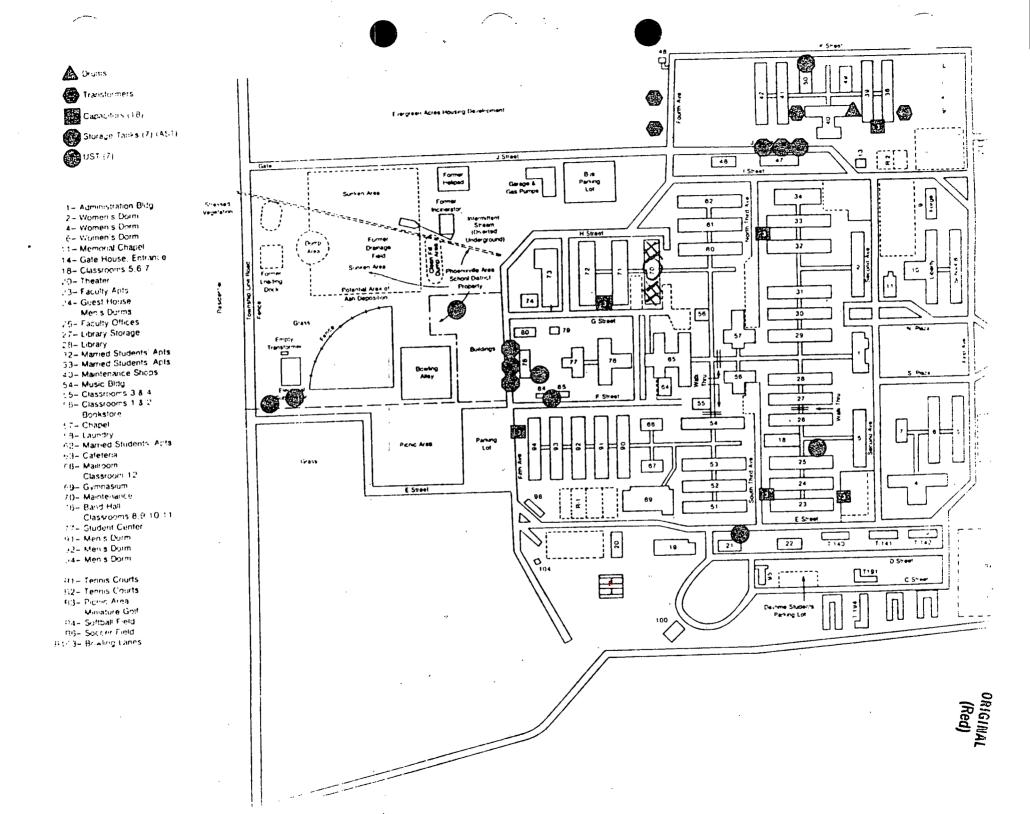
Hot Line Status Report Repositories Media/Congressional/Legislators PIRP Milestones

Current Actions

Technical Review Committee Meeting Report Groundwater Monitoring Status Review Comments on Draft RI

Future Actions

Future Milestones



SIXTH PUBLIC PROJECT STATUS REPORT

VALLEY FORGE GENERAL HOSPITAL, PHOENIXVILLE, PA

MEETING AGENDA

PHOENIXVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

JANUARY 28, 1993

7:30 PM Welcome Ted Ryan
Schuykill Township Supervisor

7:35 PM Purpose J. Richard Capka, P.E.
COL, Corps of Engineers
Baltimore District
District Engineer

7:40 PM Status Report Glenn Earhart
Project Manager
Baltimore District

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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9:00 PM Question and Answer

9:30 PM Adjournment